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Response Due Date
05/06/2015

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00457291

REFERENCE: AMENDED OCTOBER QUARTERLY REPORT (07/01/2014 - 09/30/2014),
RECEIVED 10/22/2014

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 3 item(s):

1. Your report discloses activity outside the coverage dates. This report should include only activity that occurred from 7/1/14 to 9/30/14. Please amend this report and any previous reports so that all activity is disclosed in the report covering the period in which the activity occurred. (52 U.S.C. §30104(b) (formerly 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)))
2. Schedule E for Line 24 of your report discloses MEMO entries for apparent independent expenditures made on behalf of "JONI K ERNST" during this reporting period. However, a Schedule D supporting Line 10 has not been provided. Please be advised that if a communication is aired in one reporting period and the payment is made in a later reporting period, the independent expenditure should be reported as a memo entry on Schedule E when the communication is publicly disseminated or distributed, and on a Schedule D if it is a reportable debt under 11 CFR §104.11. Subsequently, when the payment for the independent expenditure is made, the report should show a payment on Schedule E and the same payment on Schedule D, if applicable. Please amend your report to clarify this apparent discrepancy. (11 CFR §104.4)
3. Your committee filed 48 hour reports informing the Commission of independent expenditures made in support or opposition of federal candidates with "ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT LLC" as the payee(s). However, the amounts

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and dates of public dissemination disclosed on these reports do not appear to correlate with the entries on Schedule E, supporting Line 24 for the reporting period. If your committee has filed 48 hour reports supporting independent expenditures not reflected on your reports, you must file Schedule E during the appropriate reporting period to disclose these payments. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy and provide further information concerning these reports. (11 CFR §104.4)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1143.

Sincerely,



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